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SENATOR MAHONEY: Yes, Senator, very definitely. I was negligent and I apologize to you Senator Hasebroock. The Retirement Committee has on-going studies on the retirement bills. Very definitely your committee is going to be called back time and time again until you get some of those bills that you couldn't put out on this floor. They needed further study and the actuary had to come back with more facts. We expect the special committees, which are Retirement and Senator Stull's committee on the Nebraska Advisory Commission on Highways, they definitely will be having some meetings because they have some legislation that's going to have to come to this Legislature next year. The special committees, which include Retirement and the Advisory Commission on Roads, will be meeting and you will be staffed. All the facilities and things that you need shall be given to you as well as the standing committees, the same strength.

SENATOR HASEBROOCK: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, would Senator Mahoney yield to a question please? Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Yes, Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Since we all pretty much agree on this approach, I think this is the practice and procedure we've been following, would it be not just as well rather than to rely upon the need for interim resolutions as we've done for years which actually follows the pattern of the old system rather than the new committee centered system which I agree with, wouldn't it be better that we develop a system where the committee submits to the Executive Board the same as we now do with ... at a certain date ... certain ... rather than the resolutions a statement of intent with regard to the activity during the interim stating these are the things we want to study. Then let the Executive Board either veto that as ... suggest we approve this. If they don't approve it bring it up to the floor. We just do not even have to come to the floor and spend the time to even accept these.

SENATOR MAHONEY: That's good Senator Luedtke. I think the answer to that also is the fact that we are going in that direction more and more so. The Appropriations Committee had definite studies that they needed. So they came in with two or three appropriations studies. Judiciary, naturally, had their on-going programs and that's true. There is a need for this particular Executive Board action because it comes a time when there is a higher education study where a special committee has to be picked and two from each of the Congressional districts. I think though that the second part of your question could be answered yes. The committee chairmen and the members of the committee, as we get into the waning days of each session, could